In the Senate of the United States,

November 3, 2003.

Resolved, That the bill from the House of Representatives (H.R. 3365) entitled "An Act to amend title 10, United States Code, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the death gratuity payable with respect to deceased members of the Armed Forces and to exclude such gratuity from gross income.", do pass with the following

AMENDMENTS:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert:

- 1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE, ETC.
- 2 (a) Short Title.—This Act may be cited as the
- 3 "Military Family Tax Relief Act of 2003".

- 1 (b) Amendment of 1986 Code.—Except as otherwise
- 2 expressly provided, whenever in this Act an amendment or
- 3 repeal is expressed in terms of an amendment to, or repeal
- 4 of, a section or other provision, the reference shall be consid-
- 5 ered to be made to a section or other provision of the Inter-
- 6 nal Revenue Code of 1986.

7 (c) Table of Contents.—

Sec. 1. Short title, etc.

TITLE I—IMPROVING TAX EQUITY FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL

- Sec. 101. Exclusion of gain from sale of a principal residence by a member of the uniformed services or the Foreign Service.
- Sec. 102. Treatment of death gratuities payable with respect to deceased members of the Armed Forces.
- Sec. 103. Exclusion for amounts received under Department of Defense homeowners assistance program.
- Sec. 104. Expansion of combat zone filing rules to contingency operations.
- Sec. 105. Modification of membership requirement for exemption from tax for certain veterans' organizations.
- Sec. 106. Clarification of the treatment of certain dependent care assistance programs.
- Sec. 107. Clarification relating to exception from additional tax on certain distributions from qualified tuition programs, etc. on account of attendance at military academy.
- Sec. 108. Suspension of tax-exempt status of terrorist organizations.
- Sec. 109. Above-the-line deduction for overnight travel expenses of National Guard and Reserve members.
- Sec. 110. Tax relief and assistance for families of Space Shuttle Columbia heroes.

TITLE II—REVENUE PROVISION

Sec. 201. Extension of customs user fees.

1	TITLE I—IMPROVING TAX EQ-
2	UITY FOR MILITARY PER-
3	SONNEL
4	SEC. 101. EXCLUSION OF GAIN FROM SALE OF A PRINCIPAL
5	RESIDENCE BY A MEMBER OF THE UNI-
6	FORMED SERVICES OR THE FOREIGN SERV-
7	ICE.
8	(a) In General.—Subsection (d) of section 121 (relat-
9	ing to exclusion of gain from sale of principal residence)
10	is amended by redesignating paragraph (9) as paragraph
11	(10) and by inserting after paragraph (8) the following new
12	paragraph:
13	"(9) Members of uniformed services and
14	FOREIGN SERVICE.—
15	"(A) In general.—At the election of an
16	individual with respect to a property, the run-
17	ning of the 5-year period described in subsections
18	(a) and $(c)(1)(B)$ and paragraph (7) of this sub-
19	section with respect to such property shall be sus-
20	pended during any period that such individual
21	or such individual's spouse is serving on quali-
22	fied official extended duty as a member of the
23	uniformed services or of the Foreign Service of
24	the United States

1	"(B) Maximum period of suspension.—
2	The 5-year period described in subsection (a)
3	shall not be extended more than 10 years by rea-
4	son of subparagraph (A) .
5	"(C) Qualified official extended
6	DUTY.—For purposes of this paragraph—
7	"(i) In general.—The term 'qualified
8	official extended duty' means any extended
9	duty while serving at a duty station which
10	is at least 50 miles from such property or
11	while residing under Government orders in
12	Government quarters.
13	"(ii) Uniformed services.—The
14	term 'uniformed services' has the meaning
15	given such term by section 101(a)(5) of title
16	10, United States Code, as in effect on the
17	date of the enactment of this paragraph.
18	"(iii) Foreign service of the
19	UNITED STATES.—The term 'member of the
20	Foreign Service of the United States' has
21	the meaning given the term 'member of the
22	Service' by paragraph (1), (2), (3), (4), or
23	(5) of section 103 of the Foreign Service Act
24	of 1980, as in effect on the date of the enact-
25	ment of this paragraph.

1	"(iv) Extended duty.—The term 'ex-
2	tended duty' means any period of active
3	duty pursuant to a call or order to such
4	duty for a period in excess of 90 days or for
5	an indefinite period.
6	"(D) Special rules relating to elec-
7	TION.—
8	"(i) Election limited to 1 prop-
9	ERTY AT A TIME.—An election under sub-
10	paragraph (A) with respect to any property
11	may not be made if such an election is in
12	effect with respect to any other property.
13	"(ii) Revocation of election.—An
14	election under subparagraph (A) may be re-
15	voked at any time.".
16	(b) Effective Date; Special Rule.—
17	(1) Effective date.—The amendments made
18	by this section shall take effect as if included in the
19	amendments made by section 312 of the Taxpayer Re-
20	lief Act of 1997.
21	(2) Waiver of limitations.—If refund or cred-
22	it of any overpayment of tax resulting from the
23	amendments made by this section is prevented at any
24	time before the close of the 1-year period beginning on
25	the date of the enactment of this Act by the operation

1	of any law or rule of law (including res judicata),
2	such refund or credit may nevertheless be made or al-
3	lowed if claim therefor is filed before the close of such
4	period.
5	SEC. 102. TREATMENT OF DEATH GRATUITIES PAYABLE
6	WITH RESPECT TO DECEASED MEMBERS OF
7	THE ARMED FORCES.
8	(a) Increase in Amount of Death Gratuity.—
9	(1) In general.—Section 1478(a) of title 10,
10	United States Code, is amended by striking "\$6,000"
11	and inserting "\$12,000".
12	(2) Effective date.—The amendment made by
13	this subsection shall take effect as of September 11,
14	2001, and shall apply with respect to deaths occur-
15	ring on or after that date.
16	(b) Exclusion From Gross Income.—
17	(1) In general.—Subsection (b)(3) of section
18	134 (relating to certain military benefits) is amended
19	by adding at the end the following new subparagraph:
20	"(C) Exception for death gratuity ad-
21	Justments made by law.—Subparagraph (A)
22	shall not apply to any adjustment to the amount
23	of death gratuity payable under chapter 75 of
24	title 10, United States Code, which is pursuant

1	to a provision of law enacted after September 9,
2	1986.".
3	(2) Conforming amendment.—Subparagraph
4	(A) of section $134(b)(3)$ is amended by striking "sub-
5	paragraph (B)" and inserting "subparagraphs (B)
6	and (C)".
7	(3) Effective date.—The amendments made
8	by this subsection shall apply with respect to deaths
9	occurring after September 10, 2001.
10	SEC. 103. EXCLUSION FOR AMOUNTS RECEIVED UNDER DE-
11	PARTMENT OF DEFENSE HOMEOWNERS AS-
12	SISTANCE PROGRAM.
13	(a) In General.—Section 132(a) (relating to the ex-
14	clusion from gross income of certain fringe benefits) is
15	amended by striking "or" at the end of paragraph (6), by
16	striking the period at the end of paragraph (7) and insert-
17	ing ", or", and by adding at the end the following new
18	paragraph:
19	"(8) qualified military base realignment and clo-
20	sure fringe.".
21	(b) Qualified Military Base Realignment and
22	Closure Fringe.—Section 132 is amended by redesig-
23	nating subsection (n) as subsection (o) and by inserting
24	after subsection (m) the following new subsection:

1	"(n) Qualified Military Base Realignment and
2	Closure Fringe.—For purposes of this section—
3	"(1) In general.—The term 'qualified military
4	base realignment and closure fringe' means 1 or more
5	payments under the authority of section 1013 of the
6	Demonstration Cities and Metropolitan Development
7	Act of 1966 (42 U.S.C. 3374) (as in effect on the date
8	of the enactment of this subsection) to offset the ad-
9	verse effects on housing values as a result of a mili-
10	tary base realignment or closure.
11	"(2) Limitation.—With respect to any property,
12	such term shall not include any payment referred to
13	in paragraph (1) to the extent that the sum of all of
14	such payments related to such property exceeds the
15	maximum amount described in clause (1) of sub-
16	section (c) of such section (as in effect on such date).".
17	(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this
18	section shall apply to payments made after the date of the
19	enactment of this Act.
20	SEC. 104. EXPANSION OF COMBAT ZONE FILING RULES TO
21	CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS.
22	(a) In General.—Section 7508(a) (relating to time
23	for performing certain acts postponed by reason of service
24	in combat zone) is amended—

1	(1) by inserting ", or when deployed outside the
2	United States away from the individual's permanent
3	duty station while participating in an operation des-
4	ignated by the Secretary of Defense as a contingency
5	operation (as defined in section 101(a)(13) of title 10,
6	United States Code) or which became such a contin-
7	gency operation by operation of law" after "section
8	112",
9	(2) by inserting in the first sentence "or at any
10	time during the period of such contingency operation"
11	after "for purposes of such section",
12	(3) by inserting "or operation" after "such an
13	area", and
14	(4) by inserting "or operation" after "such
15	area".
16	(b) Conforming Amendments.—
17	(1) Section 7508(d) is amended by inserting "or
18	contingency operation" after "area".
19	(2) The heading for section 7508 is amended by
20	inserting "OR CONTINGENCY OPERATION" after
21	"COMBAT ZONE".
22	(3) The item relating to section 7508 in the table
23	of sections for chapter 77 is amended by inserting "or
24	contingency operation" after "combat zone".

1	(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this
2	section shall apply to any period for performing an act
3	which has not expired before the date of the enactment of
4	this Act.
5	SEC. 105. MODIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENT
6	FOR EXEMPTION FROM TAX FOR CERTAIN
7	VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS.
8	(a) In General.—Subparagraph (B) of section
9	501(c)(19) (relating to list of exempt organizations) is
10	amended by striking "or widowers" and inserting ", wid-
11	owers, ancestors, or lineal descendants".
12	(b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this
13	section shall apply to taxable years beginning after the date
14	of the enactment of this Act.
15	SEC. 106. CLARIFICATION OF THE TREATMENT OF CERTAIN
16	DEPENDENT CARE ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.
17	(a) In General.—Section 134(b) (defining qualified
18	military benefit) is amended by adding at the end the fol-
19	lowing new paragraph:
20	"(4) Clarification of certain benefits.—
21	For purposes of paragraph (1), such term includes
22	any dependent care assistance program (as in effect
23	on the date of the enactment of this paragraph) for
24	any individual described in paragraph (1)(A).".
25	(b) Conforming Amendments.—

1	(1) Section $134(b)(3)(A)$, as amended by section
2	102, is amended by inserting "and paragraph (4)"
3	after "subparagraphs (B) and (C)".
4	(2) Section 3121(a)(18) is amended by striking
5	"or 129" and inserting ", 129, or 134(b)(4)".
6	(3) Section 3306(b)(13) is amended by striking
7	"or 129" and inserting ", 129, or 134(b)(4)".
8	(4) Section 3401(a)(18) is amended by striking
9	"or 129" and inserting ", 129, or 134(b)(4)".
10	(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this
11	section shall apply to taxable years beginning after Decem-
12	ber 31, 2002.
13	(d) No Inference.—No inference may be drawn from
14	the amendments made by this section with respect to the
15	tax treatment of any amounts under the program described
16	in section 134(b)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986
17	(as added by this section) for any taxable year beginning
18	before January 1, 2003.
19	SEC. 107. CLARIFICATION RELATING TO EXCEPTION FROM
20	ADDITIONAL TAX ON CERTAIN DISTRIBU-
21	TIONS FROM QUALIFIED TUITION PROGRAMS,
22	ETC. ON ACCOUNT OF ATTENDANCE AT MILI-
23	TARY ACADEMY.
24	(a) In General.—Subparagraph (B) of section
25	530(d)(4) (relating to exceptions from additional tax for

- 1 distributions not used for educational purposes) is amended
- 2 by striking "or" at the end of clause (iii), by redesignating
- 3 clause (iv) as clause (v), and by inserting after clause (iii)
- 4 the following new clause:
- 5 "(iv) made on account of the attend-
- 6 ance of the designated beneficiary at the
- 7 United States Military Academy, the
- 8 United States Naval Academy, the United
- 9 States Air Force Academy, the United
- States Coast Guard Academy, or the United
- 11 States Merchant Marine Academy, to the
- 12 extent that the amount of the payment or
- 13 distribution does not exceed the costs of ad-
- 14 vanced education (as defined by section
- 15 2005(e)(3) of title 10, United States Code,
- as in effect on the date of the enactment of
- 17 this section) attributable to such attendance,
- 18 or".
- 19 (b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this
- 20 section shall apply to taxable years beginning after Decem-
- 21 ber 31, 2002.
- 22 SEC. 108. SUSPENSION OF TAX-EXEMPT STATUS OF TER-
- 23 RORIST ORGANIZATIONS.
- 24 (a) In General.—Section 501 (relating to exemption
- 25 from tax on corporations, certain trusts, etc.) is amended

1	by redesignating subsection (p) as subsection (q) and by in-
2	serting after subsection (o) the following new subsection:
3	"(p) Suspension of Tax-Exempt Status of Ter-
4	RORIST ORGANIZATIONS.—
5	"(1) In general.—The exemption from tax
6	under subsection (a) with respect to any organization
7	described in paragraph (2), and the eligibility of any
8	organization described in paragraph (2) to apply for
9	recognition of exemption under subsection (a), shall
10	be suspended during the period described in para-
11	graph (3).
12	"(2) Terrorist organizations.—An organiza-
13	tion is described in this paragraph if such organiza-
14	tion is designated or otherwise individually
15	identified—
16	"(A) under section $212(a)(3)(B)(vi)(II)$ or
17	219 of the Immigration and Nationality Act as
18	a terrorist organization or foreign terrorist orga-
19	nization,
20	"(B) in or pursuant to an Executive order
21	which is related to terrorism and issued under
22	the authority of the International Emergency
23	Economic Powers Act or section 5 of the United
24	Nations Participation Act of 1945 for the pur-

1	pose of imposing on such organization an eco-
2	nomic or other sanction, or
3	"(C) in or pursuant to an Executive order
4	issued under the authority of any Federal law
5	if—
6	"(i) the organization is designated or
7	otherwise individually identified in or pur-
8	suant to such Executive order as supporting
9	or engaging in terrorist activity (as defined
10	in section $212(a)(3)(B)$ of the Immigration
11	and Nationality Act) or supporting ter-
12	rorism (as defined in section 140(d)(2) of
13	the Foreign Relations Authorization Act,
14	Fiscal Years 1988 and 1989); and
15	"(ii) such Executive order refers to this
16	subsection.
17	"(3) Period of suspension.—With respect to
18	any organization described in paragraph (2), the pe-
19	riod of suspension—
20	"(A) begins on the later of—
21	"(i) the date of the first publication of
22	a designation or identification described in
23	paragraph (2) with respect to such organi-
24	zation, or

1	"(ii) the date of the enactment of this
2	subsection, and
3	"(B) ends on the first date that all designa-
4	tions and identifications described in paragraph
5	(2) with respect to such organization are re-
6	scinded pursuant to the law or Executive order
7	under which such designation or identification
8	was made.
9	"(4) Denial of Deduction.—No deduction
10	shall be allowed under any provision of this title, in-
11	cluding sections 170, $545(b)(2)$, $556(b)(2)$, $642(c)$,
12	2055, 2106(a)(2), and 2522, with respect to any con-
13	tribution to an organization described in paragraph
14	(2) during the period described in paragraph (3).
15	"(5) Denial of administrative or judicial
16	CHALLENGE OF SUSPENSION OR DENIAL OF DEDUC-
17	TION.—Notwithstanding section 7428 or any other
18	provision of law, no organization or other person may
19	challenge a suspension under paragraph (1), a des-
20	ignation or identification described in paragraph (2),
21	the period of suspension described in paragraph (3),
22	or a denial of a deduction under paragraph (4) in
23	any administrative or judicial proceeding relating to
24	the Federal tax liability of such organization or other
25	person.

person.

1	"(6) Erroneous designation.—
2	"(A) In General.—If—
3	"(i) the tax exemption of any organi-
4	zation described in paragraph (2) is sus-
5	pended under paragraph (1),
6	"(ii) each designation and identifica-
7	tion described in paragraph (2) which has
8	been made with respect to such organization
9	is determined to be erroneous pursuant to
10	the law or Executive order under which
11	such designation or identification was
12	made, and
13	"(iii) the erroneous designations and
14	identifications result in an overpayment of
15	income tax for any taxable year by such or-
16	ganization,
17	credit or refund (with interest) with respect to
18	such overpayment shall be made.
19	"(B) Waiver of Limitations.—If the cred-
20	it or refund of any overpayment of tax described
21	in subparagraph (A)(iii) is prevented at any
22	time by the operation of any law or rule of law
23	(including res judicata), such credit or refund
24	may nevertheless be allowed or made if the claim
25	therefor is filed before the close of the 1-year pe-

1	riod beginning on the date of the last determina-
2	$tion\ described\ in\ subparagraph\ (A)(ii).$
3	"(7) Notice of Suspensions.—If the tax ex-
4	emption of any organization is suspended under this
5	subsection, the Internal Revenue Service shall update
6	the listings of tax-exempt organizations and shall
7	publish appropriate notice to taxpayers of such sus-
8	pension and of the fact that contributions to such or-
9	ganization are not deductible during the period of
10	such suspension.".
11	(b) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this
12	section shall apply to designations made before, on, or after
13	the date of the enactment of this Act.
14	SEC. 109. ABOVE-THE-LINE DEDUCTION FOR OVERNIGHT
15	TRAVEL EXPENSES OF NATIONAL GUARD AND
16	RESERVE MEMBERS.
17	(a) Deduction Allowed.—Section 162 (relating to
18	certain trade or business expenses) is amended by redesig-
19	nating subsection (p) as subsection (q) and inserting after
20	subsection (o) the following new subsection:
21	"(p) Treatment of Expenses of Members of Re-
22	SERVE COMPONENT OF ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED

23 States.—For purposes of subsection (a)(2), in the case of

24 an individual who performs services as a member of a re-

25 serve component of the Armed Forces of the United States

- 1 at any time during the taxable year, such individual shall
- 2 be deemed to be away from home in the pursuit of a trade
- 3 or business for any period during which such individual
- 4 is away from home in connection with such service.".
- 5 (b) Deduction Allowed Whether or Not Tax-
- 6 PAYER ELECTS TO ITEMIZE.—Section 62(a)(2) (relating to
- 7 certain trade and business deductions of employees) is
- 8 amended by adding at the end the following new subpara-
- 9 graph:

10 "(E) CERTAIN EXPENSES OF MEMBERS OF 11 RESERVE COMPONENTS OF THE ARMED FORCES 12 OF THE UNITED STATES.—The deductions al-13 lowed by section 162 which consist of expenses, 14 determined at a rate not in excess of the rates for 15 travel expenses (including per diem in lieu of 16 subsistence) authorized for employees of agencies 17 under subchapter I of chapter 57 of title 5, 18 United States Code, paid or incurred by the tax-19 payer in connection with the performance of 20 services by such taxpayer as a member of a re-21 serve component of the Armed Forces of the 22 United States for any period during which such 23 individual is more than 100 miles away from 24 home in connection with such services.".

1	(c) Effective Date.—The amendments made by this
2	section shall apply to amounts paid or incurred in taxable
3	years beginning after December 31, 2002.
4	SEC. 110. TAX RELIEF AND ASSISTANCE FOR FAMILIES OF
5	SPACE SHUTTLE COLUMBIA HEROES.
6	(a) Income Tax Relief.—
7	(1) In general.—Subsection (d) of section 692
8	(relating to income taxes of members of Armed Forces
9	and victims of certain terrorist attacks on death) is
10	amended by adding at the end the following new
11	paragraph:
12	"(5) Relief with respect to astronauts.—
13	The provisions of this subsection shall apply to any
14	astronaut whose death occurs in the line of duty, ex-
15	cept that paragraph (3)(B) shall be applied by using
16	the date of the death of the astronaut rather than Sep-
17	tember 11, 2001.".
18	(2) Conforming amendments.—
19	(A) Section 5(b)(1) is amended by inserting
20	", astronauts," after "Forces".
21	(B) Section $6013(f)(2)(B)$ is amended by
22	inserting ", astronauts," after "Forces".
23	(3) Clerical amendments —

1	(A) The heading of section 692 is amended
2	by inserting " , ASTRONAUTS, " after
3	"FORCES".
4	(B) The item relating to section 692 in the
5	table of sections for part II of subchapter J of
6	chapter 1 is amended by inserting ", astro-
7	nauts," after "Forces".
8	(4) Effective date.—The amendments made
9	by this subsection shall apply with respect to any as-
10	tronaut whose death occurs after December 31, 2002.
11	(b) Death Benefit Relief.—
12	(1) In general.—Subsection (i) of section 101
13	(relating to certain death benefits) is amended by
14	adding at the end the following new paragraph:
15	"(4) Relief with respect to astronauts.—
16	The provisions of this subsection shall apply to any
17	astronaut whose death occurs in the line of duty.".
18	(2) Clerical amendment.—The heading for
19	subsection (i) of section 101 is amended by inserting
20	"OR ASTRONAUTS" after "VICTIMS".
21	(3) Effective date.—The amendments made
22	by this subsection shall apply to amounts paid after
23	December 31, 2002, with respect to deaths occurring
24	after such date.
25	(c) Estate Tax Relief.—

1	(1) In General.—Section 2201(b) (defining
2	qualified decedent) is amended by striking "and" at
3	the end of paragraph (1)(B), by striking the period
4	at the end of paragraph (2) and inserting ", and",
5	and by adding at the end the following new para-
6	graph:
7	"(3) any astronaut whose death occurs in the
8	line of duty.".
9	(2) Clerical amendments.—
10	(A) The heading of section 2201 is amended
11	by inserting ", DEATHS OF ASTRONAUTS,"
12	after "FORCES".
13	(B) The item relating to section 2201 in the
14	table of sections for subchapter C of chapter 11
15	is amended by inserting ", deaths of astronauts,"
16	after "Forces".
17	(3) Effective date.—The amendments made
18	by this subsection shall apply to estates of decedents
19	dying after December 31, 2002.
20	TITLE II—REVENUE PROVISION
21	SEC. 201. EXTENSION OF CUSTOMS USER FEES.
22	Section 13031(j)(3) of the Consolidated Omnibus
23	Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985 (19 U.S.C. 58c(j)(3)) is
24	amended by striking "March 31, 2004" and inserting
25	"March 1, 2005".

Amend the title so as to read: "An Act to amend title 10, United States Code, and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the death gratuity payable with respect to deceased members of the Armed Forces and to exclude such gratuity from gross income, to provide additional tax relief for members of the Armed Forces and their families, and for other purposes.".

Attest:

Secretary.

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AMENDMENTS